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## Sinterklaas is here! Dangerous weather, tornadoes kill 2 in US Midwest



ORANJESTAD -- Controversy or no, tens of thousands of Arubans lined Oranjestad harbor and the streets of the capital to welcome Sinterklaas and his Swarte Pieten upon their arrival from Spain yesterday morning. The venerated figure was officially welcomed on behalf of the Aruban government and people by the Minister of Public Health, Eld-



With Minister Dr. Alex Schwengle



erly Care and Sports, Dr. Alex Schwengle.

Youngsters and on occasion, parents, in colorful costumes expressed their extreme joy at seeing the beloved character and his merry pranksters dock at precisely on time, 11:00 AM. As Sinterklaas inquired of many of the children whether they were "bon mucha" (good children) his Swarte Pieten, laden with sacks of sweet treats, distributed them among the crowds.

Sinterklaas made his way to the center of town via L.G. Smith Boulevard in a horse-drawn carriage, to preside over various fun activities arranged through the afternoon on the Caya Betico Croes.

He will remain on Aruba through his feast day, December 5, visiting homes on his horse. His colorful assistants aid him in rewarding all good children with small treats and toys.

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Firefighters stand in the middle of Devonshire Street on the North side of Washington, Illinois, after a tornado leveled at least fifty homes yesterday.

CHICAGO (AFP) - Severe storms and violent tornadoes killed at least two people and injured dozens as they battered the US Midwest Sunday, with dozens of powerful twisters causing major damage in central Illinois.

At least two people were killed in the state, Illinois Emergency Management Agency chief Jonathon Monken told CNN.

Local NBC television affiliate News 25 reported at least 37 people were being treated at OSF Saint Francis Medical Center in Peoria, Illinois, seven of them with "severe" injuries.

Monken said 70 homes were

completely destroyed in two different areas, and hundreds were damaged less severely. Four Red Cross shelters were also open in the affected zone.

The dangerous weather caused the National Football League to suspend a game in Chicago partway through, asking fans and players to take cover in the stadium. The game resumed almost two hours later.

Powerful winds overturned cars, uprooted large trees and snapped power lines.

The devastating damage saw homes reduced to piles of rubble in central Illinois.

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## Sinterklaas is here! Paseo Herencia greets the holidays with a spectacular show

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Each night they leave out a single shoe in hopes of finding a pleasant surprise in the morning. He is always grateful to those who leave some water and grass as a snack for his loyal steed, who is obviously overworked and needs the refreshment.

After the celebrations of

December 5, he and his Swarte Pieten will quietly slip away back to Spain. Until then, island residents and visitors can expect to see the dignified gentleman making several appearances around the island, with his Swarte Pieten in tow behaving like mischievous, fun-loving kids.

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**PALM BEACH** -- For many islanders, holiday season truly arrives with the tree-lighting event at Paseo Herencia Mall in Palm Beach, when the Plaza Padu puts on its fancy dress. This year, on Friday, November 15, it was accompanied by a full evening of live entertainment, compliments of the mall and TeleAruba TV show "Magico di Pasco" (The Magic of Christmas) which broadcast live from the mall.

Aruban TV personalities Siomara Everon and Edjean Semeleer welcomed all visitors in three languages. The stunning holiday trees that adorn the mall's main plaza were officially lit at 9:00 PM, a dramatic start to the show.

The traditional Gaita singing show featured the popular group "Las Unicas" introducing their fourth CD collection of holiday songs. Also adding to the festive ambience prior to the broadcast was the Gaita group Melodia.

This year marks the golden anniversary of Aruba's first, and for many years, only TV station, TeleAruba, Channel 13. During the televising of the holiday event at Paseo Herencia, TeleAruba Managing Di-



Paseo Executives Valerie Camacho and Candy Rasijn wish all a happy holiday



rector Toko Winklaer paid homage to one of the pioneers of local programming in Papiamentu, Robby Schouten. For nearly 30 years he has been following the lives of

Aruban students attending universities in Holland with his program "Leu Foi Cas" (Far From Home,) usually greeting them as they arrive on their life's journey.

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Xmas outfits for four legged friends







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## Weather prognostic valid till this afternoon at 5:00 pm

### Weather:

Partly cloudy to mostly sunny with a chance of a passing shower.

Maximum temperature 32 centigrade y minimum temperature 25 centigrade.

Sunrise 06:40 am sunset 06:11 pm.

### Wind:

Gentle to moderate winds direction east-northeast 5 knots gusting up to 16 knots.

### General situation:

Some moisture embedded in the northeast flow, can induce a passing shower.

### Marine conditions:

Wave direction will be east-northeast with wave-heights between 2 to 6 feet.

Northeasterly swells can make the sea near the western shores a tap choppy through wednesday. Also expect some rough surf conditions and rip

current on the northern shores from time to time.

### Tropical weather outlook:

The national hurricane center in the usa is following a broad area of low pressure northeast of the northern

Lee-ward islands. This system is of no direct significance for aruba.

### Expectations for the beginning of next week:

Only a slight chance of a passing shower.

Winds will stay a tab below normal.

Temperature will fluctuate around normal.

### Observed temperature (centigrade) and rainfall (mm) in the last 24 hours:

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## Minister reveals teachers nominated for 2013 Teacher of the Year award



ORANJESTAD -- A project that is slowly taking hold in our community is the nomination of a Teacher of the Year introduced by the Department of Education. This year marks the third year that this project is in place. A well organized commission is in charge of the program. The Minister of Education paid a visit to 5 schools, where 5 teachers were nominated. She congratulated these teachers for getting nominated.

A teacher is a fundamental pillar in the formation of our children and a source of inspiration for their colleagues and students. The Minister indicated that she takes pleasure in recognizing dedicated teachers willing to transfer their knowledge to others. To recognize the work of a teacher is something big, as their job is one of the most important jobs in our community. They are the basic and fundamental educators of our future leaders and generation."

In 2011 Raquel Lampe of the La Salle College was elected Teacher of the Year. In 2012, Derek Peterson got the prize. For this year there are 5 nominees, Charity Croes from Arco Iris Kleuterschool, Maria Regina from Teresita de



Cosata in San Nicolas, Marisol Croes of Dun'un Man in Piedra Plat and Mariana Jimenez of Colegio Arubano, as well as Sarah Sambo of EPI.

On the 6th of December, the Department of Education will announce the winner during a special event. The organization of this project requires a lot of preparation. The Minister expressed congratulations to all teachers of Aruba for their excellent work and contribution to the development of our future leaders.

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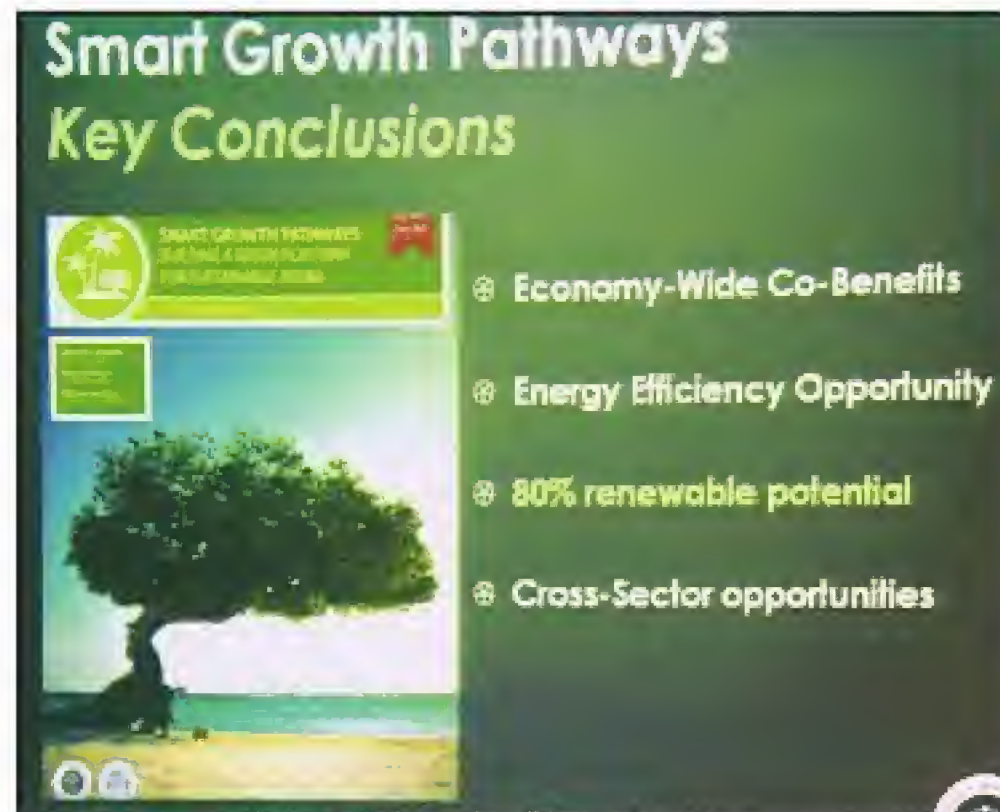


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## The Carbon War Room examines "Smart Growth Pathways" "Building a Green Platform for a Sustainable Aruba"



Research Report from Carbon War Room unveiled

ORANJESTAD - During the Green Aruba Energy Conference of 2012, the President of the Carbon War Room, Jose Maria Figueres, was the keynote speaker, announcing to the world the CWR commit-

ment of Aruba can build a low-carbon future." It is the result of a dedicated study regarding the most key areas in which the government and the populace must focus their energies to achieve full sustainability. Is-

stood by comprehension of the mission and vision of the Carbon War Room.

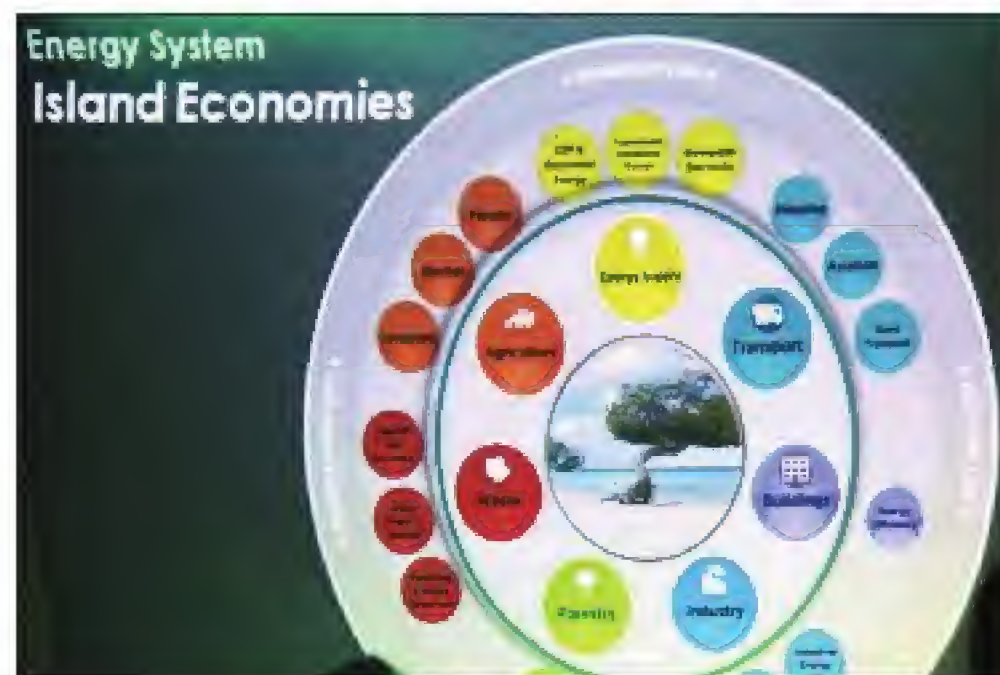
The CWR's purpose is to "break down market barriers to the flow of capital into entrepreneurial solutions to climate change by employing a sector-based approach focusing on the solutions that make economic sense right now. It targets the movement of institutional capital into a working marketplace and the elimination of market inefficiencies (in the form of insufficient information and high transaction costs, among others.) Policy and technology are necessary conditions to the solutions, but they are neither sufficient nor the bottleneck to progress."

"The CWR vision is to see markets functioning properly and clean technology successfully scaling to promote climate wealth, business and economic growth. In the role of a climate wealth catalyst, the CWR focuses on areas where a sector-by-sector approach to climate change can be applied to generate gigaton-scale carbon savings. It seeks to complement existing efforts and organizations, leveraging its convening power, its market-driven solutions-oriented focus, and its powerful global network to develop and implement catalytic change."

In simpler terms, there is money to be made by investing in the research and technology to perfect and deploy "clean" renewable energy sources. Billion dollar investments could be directed towards projects that would reduce the carbon footprint and greenhouse effect, and still realize profits, rather than expend them searching for more oil and coal resources.

Some naysayers will try to convince the public that those attempting to bring awareness regarding the consequences of climate change are manufacturing the problem, so they can make money from the resulting research and technology. The members of the CWR are elite entrepreneurs who have recognized and acknowledged climate change is a real issue, and wish to direct their wealth and investment power towards solutions. The fact that such investments can provide profits is another incentive to attract those in the energy industry towards joining the movement, preserving the environment and ecology for future generations.

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integrating island economies

ment to Aruba's plan to attain 100% sustainability by 2020.

Since then, the CWR expanded their plans to encompass a ten-island initiative, spurring other Caribbean nations to examine their resources and possibilities towards attaining the same lofty goal. During his address at the Green Aruba Energy Conference 2013, Keynote Speaker Peter Boyd, COO of the Carbon War Room confirmed the agency's continued commitment to Aruba. Aside from his position with the CWR, Mr. Boyd is also Chair of the Energy Efficient Deployment Office at the Department of Energy Efficiency and Climate Change, United Kingdom.

Distributed to the audience at the conference was a publication by the Carbon War Room, "Smart Growth Pathways: Building a Green Platform for a Sustainable Aruba," which they describe as a "roadmap for how the Govern-

suing the study is the CWR Director of Research, Hillary McMahon. She joined the CWR team from the UN, where she was an advisor on climate change and technology issues. Prior to then, she was Senior Associate with Energy and Climate at the World Resources Institute. Senior Associate of the study was Matthew Cullinan and research analysts were Tessa Lee and Leila Kasmi. It was published in English, but the Aruban government is now working on a Papiamentu translation for distribution to all citizens.

The 41 page executive summary is culled from reports and statistics from several island agencies, as well as the observations of the research team. Understanding the purpose of the report, which pinpoints particular areas where Aruba and its people need to make exceptional effort, along side those of the government, is better under-

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## Paseo Herencia greets the holidays...

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TeleAruba honors Robbie Schouten

He has reported regularly on their daily activities, involvement in special events and occasions, as well as arranging tours of Europe for them and family, allowing those back home on the island of Aruba to share their grand adventure and experiences.

Visitors to the mall enjoyed not only the normally delightful welcome of holiday cheer the mall hosts annually, but a true slice of island life, ex-

plained to them in their native languages by the congenial hosts. The nearly 50 shops attractively displayed their seasonal inventory, showcasing anything and everything from artistic and original handicrafts to glamorous dress-up outfits for four-legged family companions. Residents and vacationers enjoyed this very special evening equally, deeming it a perfect way to become infused with the holiday spirit!



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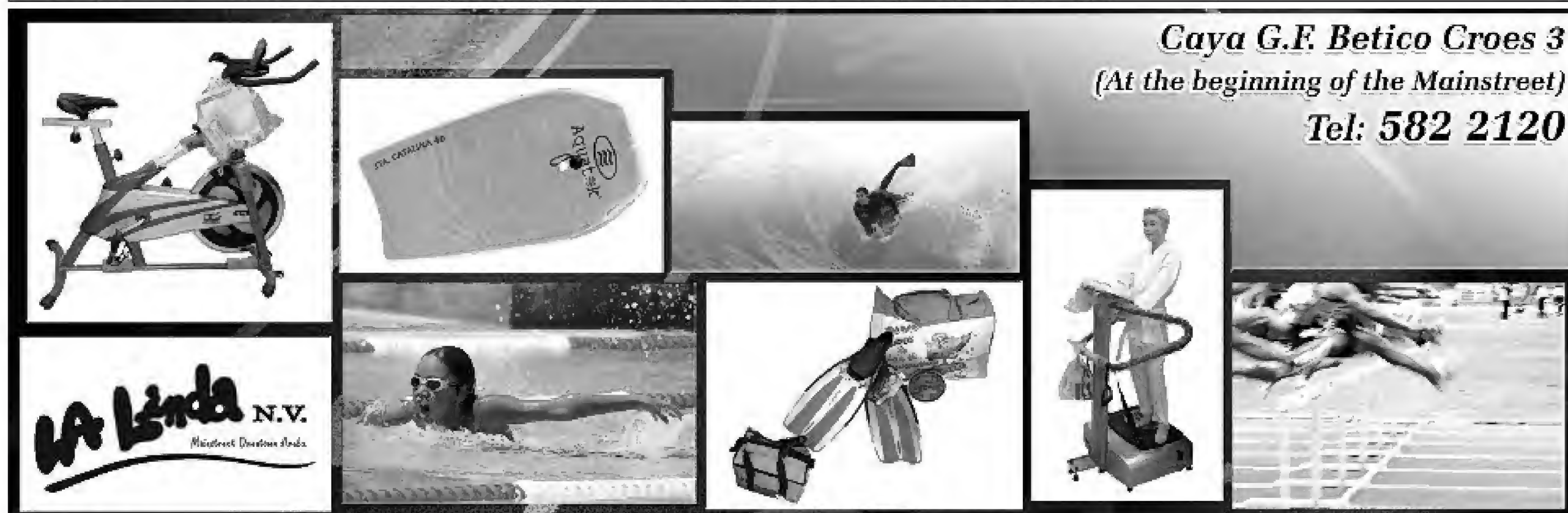
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## Building a Green Platform

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**Peter Boyd COO Carbon War Room**

"This is the challenge," cites the study, "the continued pursuit of a low-carbon growth pathway for Aruba that reduces fossil fuel use in support of a healthy, prosperous and secure future." The study provides a background of the island's energy use, and is worded for individuals completely unfamiliar with Aruba and its energy history. It also sites that the island "is fortunate to have world-class wind and solar resources compared to other regions," as well as other circumstances for the utilization of some particularly unique possibilities, such as emerging Ocean Thermal Energy (OTEC), harnessing the difference from deep water to tropical surface ocean temperatures.

Regarding near-term potential, the report states "An incremental approach should in no way be seen as a suboptimal outcome—merely being able to "turn off" fossil fuel use in a system the size of Aruba's for any small amount of time will be a huge achievement."

It details four phases, Low, Medium and High Renewable Penetration and finally, Complete Fossil Fuel Independence. Top suggestions are changing the way water is processed, heated and used, encouraging short-term efficiency upgrades, such as LED lights in all public facilities and improving insulation in construction. Medium-term improvement includes energy efficiency in construction and appliances, with retrofitting existing structures providing emplacement.

Though Aruba has a population of only 105,000, the annual vacationing population numbers over 900,000, producing far greater energy demands on the power system. The report suggest a transition to Cold Sea Water Cooling (SWAC) systems for resorts, and the use of key cards upon entering a room to activate the lights, air-conditioning and ventilation to produce energy savings, among many other useful and simple innovations. "Commercial actors may require evidence of the longer-term contributions to their bottom lines that they can hope to achieve by adopting energy efficiency strategies," it warns.

The entire document can be downloaded at no cost from The Carbon War Room website: <http://www.carbonwarroom.com/what-we-do/research-publications> one of several enlightening executive summaries on a wealth of issues. They also invite input on their findings.



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## Post Aruba, official agent of Western Union, and Western Union respond to Typhoon Haiyan with support for relief efforts

**No-Fee\* money transfer transactions to the Philippines available from November 15, 2013 until November 30, 2013.**

ORANJESTAD -- Post Aruba as official agent of Western Union and the Western Union Company today announced a multi-faceted response program that will provide support for disaster relief efforts that target the families and communities most affected by Typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines.

The Western Union Foundation is making a grant of US\$100,000 to Save the Children to support the organization's immediate response activities in the Philippines, which include providing emergency materials, meals and water to disaster victims.

In addition to grant funding from The Western Union Foundation, the Western Union Company has activated a no-fee\* money transfer transaction program for Post Aruba and all other agents throughout the Caribbean, to the Philippines, through November 30, 2013. For Post Aruba this means that the Transaction Fees are excluded but the customer will still have to pay the Foreign Exchange Commission (Government Tax). "In times like this we must act quickly and we make it our priority to take part in the efforts to provide relief by making it easier for customers to send money back home", said Mariano Dall'Orso, Senior VP Americas Central and Canada at Western Union.

No-fee\* money transfers will be available from the Caribbean to the Philippines including payout at retail outlets—as they reopen or cash-to-mobile as cellular networks come back online. "Members of the Philippine diaspora make their way to the Caribbean to earn a living and



send money back home. On a day-to-day basis, our services help them to offer an economic lifeline. In times of adversity, we simply cannot stand by. Now is when that lifeline becomes even more important," said Sean Mason, Caribbean Regional Director at Western Union.

Over the course of this week, and for the benefit of consumers sending money to family and loved ones in the Philippines, The Western Union Company will also activate a no-fee\* money transfer transaction program from participating Agent locations in the Cyprus, Greece, Italy, Malaysia, Portugal, Spain, Singapore, the United Kingdom and the United States, through November 30, 2013. Consumers in the United States will need to include promotion code HAIYANRELIEF with their transaction at retail Agent locations to utilize the no-fee offer. Additional countries for no-fee retail activations will be announced via social media in the coming days.

Furthermore, in the Caribbean & United States, Western Union has set up a no-fee Payments contribution account benefitting the American Red Cross, to support interna-

tional relief efforts in the Philippines. Donors can contribute by making a no-fee\* Payments transaction at participating Western Union Agent locations, directed to the account, up to US\$5,000.

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"As well at Post Aruba we are proud to be able to join this action and to give our contribution to the kind people of the Philippines, we would like to invite the community of Aruba to come to any of our offices at Oranjestad, San Nicolas, Harbour Area, Palm Beach Plaza Mall, or Santa Cruz and to contribute with this noble cause" said Guillermo Raymond Director at Post Aruba.

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## Dangerous weather, tornadoes tear up US Midwest

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Other homes had their roofs and siding blown off, leaving only the wooden frame and concrete foundation. The windows were blown out of some shops.

"Absolute destruction," WMBD31 news reporter Alexandra Sutter wrote on Twitter in describing the scene.

Sutter later tweeted, after speaking with the mayor of the storm-hit town of Washington: "I asked what we can report to help. He said only 'please pray.'"

The CBS television affiliate for Central Illinois where she works said that its studio, which also hosts the local Fox affiliate, lost signal after a power hit to its transmitter.

A photo posted on the station's Facebook page showed someone holding a tennis ball-sized piece of hail.

Local news reported two

tornadoes wreaking havoc in Washington and the town of Pekin, with an apartment complex and several homes damaged or destroyed.

"We are setting up shelters in Washington and have water and hot coffee," the local Red Cross chapter said on its Twitter feed.

The National Weather Service warned of a "particularly dangerous situation" for parts of the central United States, with tornado watches in eight states from Arkansas to Michigan. It said it had reports of 63 tornadoes Sunday in Illinois, Indiana and Kentucky.

Flights at Chicago's international airport were delayed an average of nearly three hours, the Federal Aviation Administration said on its website, while flights were grounded at the Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport.

## Mandela unable to speak

CAPE TOWN (AFP) - South Africa's Nelson Mandela remains "quite ill" and is unable to speak, using facial expressions to communicate as he receives intensive medical care at home, his former wife told a Sunday newspaper.

Winnie Madikizela-Mandela said the 95-year-old former president was not on life support, but he was no longer talking "because of all the tubes that are in his mouth to clear (fluid from) the lungs" and prevent infection returning.

"He can't actually articulate anything" as a result, she told The Sunday Independent. "He communicates with the face, you see. But the doctors have told us they hope to recover his voice."

Mandela was discharged in a critical condition on September 1 to his home in Johannesburg's upmarket Houghton suburb after nearly three months in hospital for a lung infection.

The country's anti-apartheid hero is under the care of 22 doctors, and while his pneumonia has cleared, his lungs remain sensitive, she said, adding that it was "difficult for him".

"He remains very sensitive to any germs, so he has to be kept literally sterile. The bedroom there (in Houghton) is like an ICU ward," she explained.



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## Next round postponed in Colombia peace talks

BOGOTA (AFP) - The next round of talks between Colombia and the leftist FARC rebels -- planned for November 18 -- has been postponed, a government source said yesterday.

"By common consent, it was decided to postpone the start of this round of talks, because they asked for more time to work on the issue of illegal drugs," the source said.

"I do not yet have a precise date" for when the talks will resume in Cuba, he added.

The postponement comes two days before the process was set to mark the one-year anniversary since the talks began on November 19, 2012.

So far, the negotiations

have resolved two of the five key points on the agenda. This next round was set to tackle the question of drug-trafficking, which the FARC is alleged to have abetted to finance their operations. The two sides must also still resolve questions on compensation for victims and disarmament.

The half-century old guerrilla war -- Latin America's longest-running insurgency -- has left hundreds of thousands of dead and displaced more than 4.5 million people.

The Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, or the FARC, has some 7,000 to 8,000 fighters, Colombia's largest rebel group.



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**CAPE CANAVERAL :** This NASA handout image shows the United Launch Alliance Atlas V rocket with NASA's Mars Atmosphere and Volatile Evolution (MAVEN) spacecraft on board at the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station Space Launch Complex 41, on November 17, 2013, in Cape Canaveral, Florida. The unmanned spacecraft aims to orbit Mars from a high altitude, studying its atmosphere for clues on how the Sun may have influenced gas to escape from the possibly life-bearing planet billions of years ago. The probe is different from past NASA missions because it focuses not on the dry surface but on the mysteries of the never before studied upper atmosphere. (AFP PHOTO)



## Boeing passenger jet crashes in Russia, killing 50: ministry



MOSCOW (AFP) - A Boeing 737 belonging to a domestic Russian airline crashed Sunday while attempting to land at an airport in western Tatarstan, killing all 50 people on board, Russia's emergency situations ministry said.

"According to preliminary information, all the people on board the flight, 44 passengers and six crew members, were killed," a ministry spokeswoman told AFP.

The local branch of the ministry said in an earlier statement that 44 people had died when the jet, arriving from Moscow's Domodedovo airport, crashed on landing in the Volga city of Kazan.

The Tatarstan Airlines plane "hit the runway and burst

into flames", Russia's Investigative Committee said in a statement.

Local news agencies reported the plane had tried to land three times before crashing.

Air safety in Russia is a major issue for the authorities following a severe deterioration in the quality of domestic services after the collapse of the Soviet Union.

Officials blame most problems on pilot inexperience as well as poor maintenance by the small and poorly-regulated airlines that have sprouted up across Russia in the past two decades.

Kazan is the capital city of the Russian republic of Tatarstan.

## Protesters shun 'racist' Black Pete in Amsterdam festival

AMSTERDAM (AFP) - Tens of thousands of people crowded Amsterdam's streets on Sunday to watch the traditional holiday arrival of Saint Nicholas as a handful joined a silent protest against his sidekick "Black Pete", which they said was a racist symbol.

The debate over Black Pete has reached a fever pitch in the last weeks in the Netherlands, highlighting the issue of racism in a country that prides itself on open-minded values. It has even sparked a UN rights probe.

Two months ago 21 Dutch citizens filed complaints against Black Pete's presence at the annual Saint Nicholas arrival festival, a move that has split opinion in the country of 16.7 million people.

The complainants, many of whom are descendants of people from former Dutch colonies like Suriname and Curacao, asked Amsterdam mayor Eberhard van der Laan to pull the permit for the festival because of Black Pete's presence.



Their request was turned down and on Sunday demonstrators taped their mouths and turned their backs as thousands of spectators cheered Saint Nicholas' arrival in the city centre, accompanied by hundreds of Black Petes.

At its famous Dam Square, around 75 demonstrators, many wearing anti-Black Pete T-shirts, turned their backs in silent protest as Saint Nick and his helpers passed by.

The invention of a Dutch school teacher, Black Pete has since 1850 been loyally at the side of Saint Nicholas, the Dutch version of Santa Claus



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## Vigilantes seize town in western Mexico

MORELIA (AFP) - Hundreds of armed vigilantes have taken control of a town in a western Mexico state plagued by drug

cartels after clashes with an armed group that left three people dead, officials said.

The Michoacan state government said in a statement that the "self-defense" units seized the town hall and main square of Tancitaro on Saturday.

Some 400 vigilantes kicked out the municipal police and took over security in the town, a source in the CISEN intelligence agency told AFP.

Before taking Tancitaro, the self-defense force exchanged fire with suspected organized crime members in the nearby town of Pareo, said Marco Vinicio Aguilera, an official in the state prosecutor's office.

"Three bodies belonging to members of an armed group were recovered," he said, adding that two vigilantes were wounded in the clash.

The government said the vigilantes were from the towns of Buenavista and Tepalcatepec. Soldiers and state and federal police were deployed to the area.

Several Michoacan towns have taken up arms this year, fed up with the murders, kidnappings and extortion committed by the Knights Templar drug cartel.

President Enrique Pena Nieto deployed thousands of troops to the state in May and the military took over the power of Lazaro Cardenas this month,

but violence has continued.

Late last month, the vigilantes tried to take control of the town of Apatzingan, a Templar bastion, but the army barred them from going in with weapons. Once they entered the town unarmed, they were met with gunfire.

Shortly after, suspected cartel members attacked state-run power stations in several towns with Molotov cocktails on October 27, leaving more than 400,000 people without electricity for several hours.

This past week, authorities found 18 bodies buried in mass graves near a Jalisco state town bordering Michoacan.

The grim discovery stems from an investigation into the disappearance of two federal police officers.

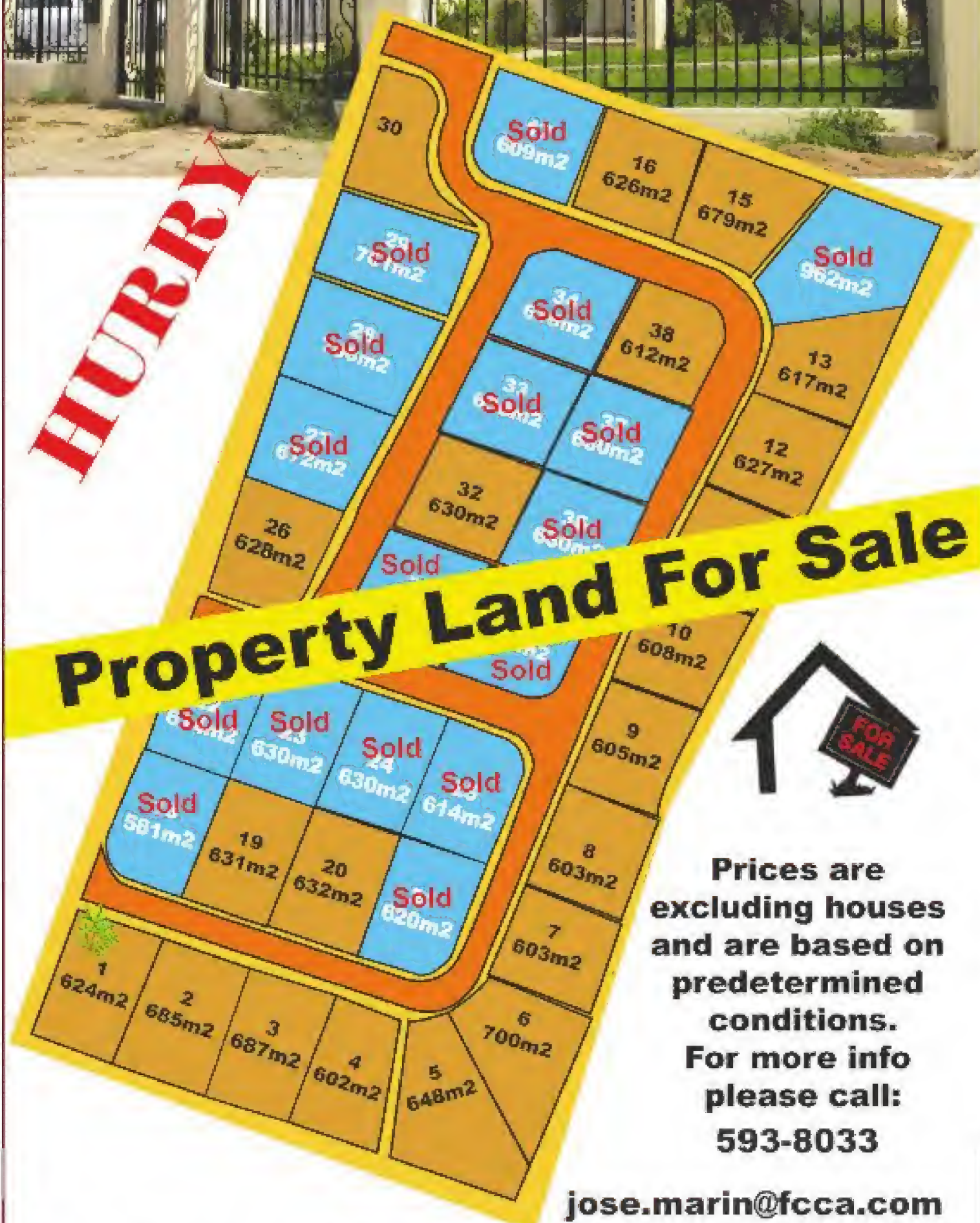
Authorities have detained 22 municipal officers from the Michoacan town of Vista Hermosa in connection with the case.

An official from the federal prosecutor's office said some of the suspects confessed to handing over the federal agents to the Jalisco New Generation cartel, rivals of the Knights Templar.





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## Meningitis outbreak at Princeton University: officials

NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - Princeton University is trying to contain an outbreak of bacterial meningitis that has sickened several students, school and health officials said Saturday.

The New Jersey Department of Health said it has confirmed seven cases of meningococcal disease at Princeton, with all but one of the cases involving students.

The meningitis has been identified as "Type B," which is not covered by the standard vaccine commonly administered to students in the United States.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is making an experimental vaccine available to Princeton, and officials at the northeastern US university said they are in the process of deciding

whether to administer it to students.

"This is a question we have been considering very carefully. We will be discussing it with our trustees this weekend, and when we have something to announce we will make an announcement," university spokesman Martin Mbugua told AFP on Saturday.

Located in the state of New Jersey, Princeton is considered among America's premier universities and has an enrollment of some 8,000 students.

Meningitis can progress rapidly within hours of the onset of symptoms, and if untreated can lead to shock or death.

Health officials say complications can include hearing loss, brain damage or kidney disease.

## British medics could face jail for patient neglect

LONDON (AFP) - British doctors and nurses who neglect their patients could be jailed under government proposals announced, in the wake of a scandal at a hospital where hundreds died after receiving appalling care.

Wilful neglect of patients is set to be made a criminal offence under reforms being introduced in the wake of the scandal at Stafford Hospital in central England, where up to 1,200 people died as a result of poor care between 2005 and 2009.

A three-year public inquiry into the scandal heard horrifying examples of abuse and neglect, including patients left starving and soiled in their beds, or so thirsty that they drank water from vases.

The new offence will be modelled on the wilful neglect of adults under Britain's Mental Capacity Act, which is punishable by up to five years in prison.

The health ministry is set to hold a public consultation on appropriate sentencing for the new offence.

Cameron said Britain was "full of brilliant doctors, nurses and other health workers who dedicate their lives to caring for our loved ones".

"But Mid-Staffordshire hospital showed that sometimes the standard of care is not good enough."

He added: "Never again will we allow substandard care, cruelty or neglect to go unnoticed and unpunished."

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## A special Heineken Happy Hour greets the season with gusto



Heineken Rep Tirzo Tromp (r)



Flor di Oriente owner (r) and guest

ORANJESTAD - Islanders need not wait for Thanksgiving to inaugurate the end of the year holiday season. Tree-lightings and festive public parties were rampant throughout the island. None, however, offered quite the unique touch of the Heineken Holiday Happy Hour conducted at the historic Flor di Oriente coffeehouse in Oranjestad.

The century-old landmark building, a popular gathering place behind the courthouse, recently received a facelift, now sporting a deep Heineken green facade.

On Friday evening, November 15, Tirzo Tromp, Brand Manager at Romar Trading for Heineken, welcomed the surrounding community for the lighting of the first recycled Heineken Christmas tree, made completely out of their vibrant green glass bottles.

Entertaining all was the singing group Gaita Rumbera. Gaita is a very popular seasonal music on Aruba, originating from the Zulia Province of Venezuela.

The lively beat is the perfect complement to holiday parties, performed with traditional re-



First recycled Heineken Christmas tree

gional instruments and singing groups consisting, usually, of only girls. As a newer, contemporary group, Gaita Rumbera bucked the tradition to some degree, with a male singer lending his voice to the harmony.

During the Heineken event, the group introduced their first CD of holiday music "Pielota di Fiesta."

The fun event was a mellow, family affair, attracting all ages, to enjoy the lighting ceremony of a most unusual holiday tree.

## Acqua Condominium Aruba announces that construction has been progressing at a brisk pace.

The East Tower, overlooking Palm Beach boasts 208 condos, spread over 14 floors. The two top building floors embrace 16 penthouse apartments with majestic views. The building is simply awaiting the windows and a few finishing touches, to conclude construction, very possibly by the end of this year. Following the completion of the elegant club house, the tropical landscaped pool and the spacious parking lots, the condos will be delivered to their proud new owners. Ground has been cleared for the North Tower, which will follow as soon as the East Tower is completed.

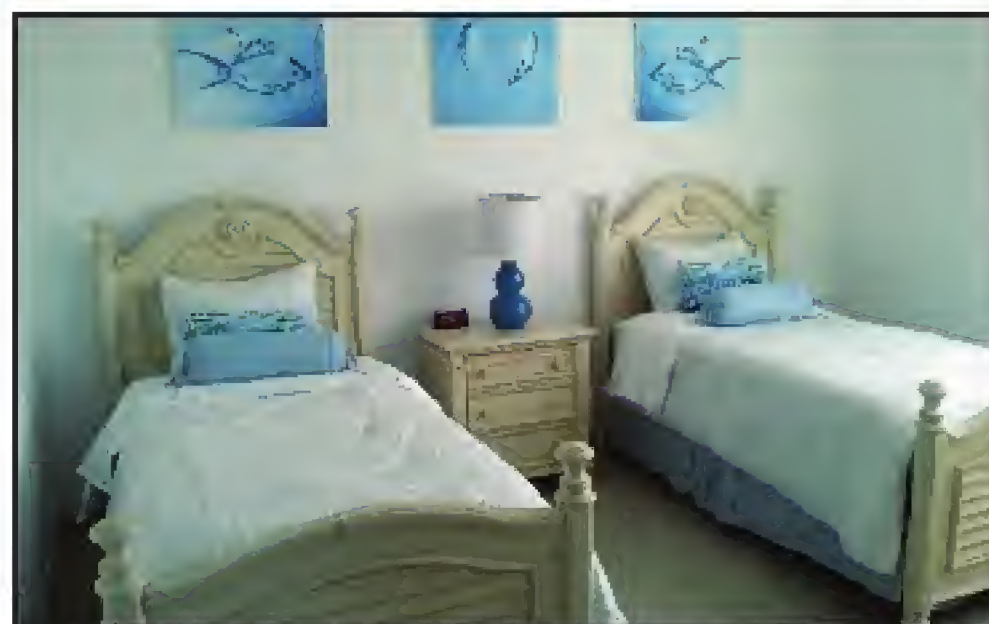
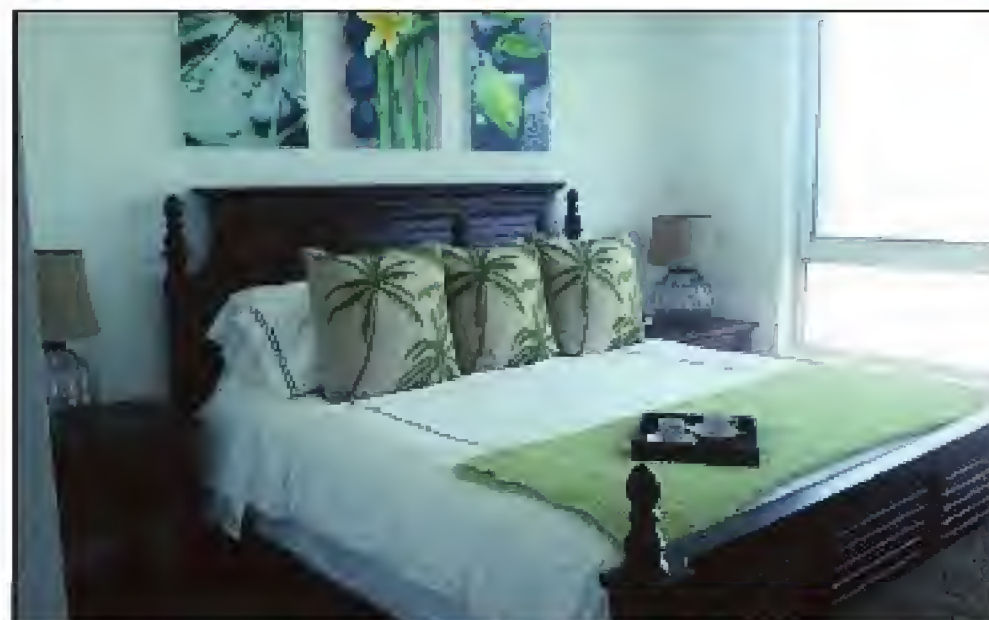
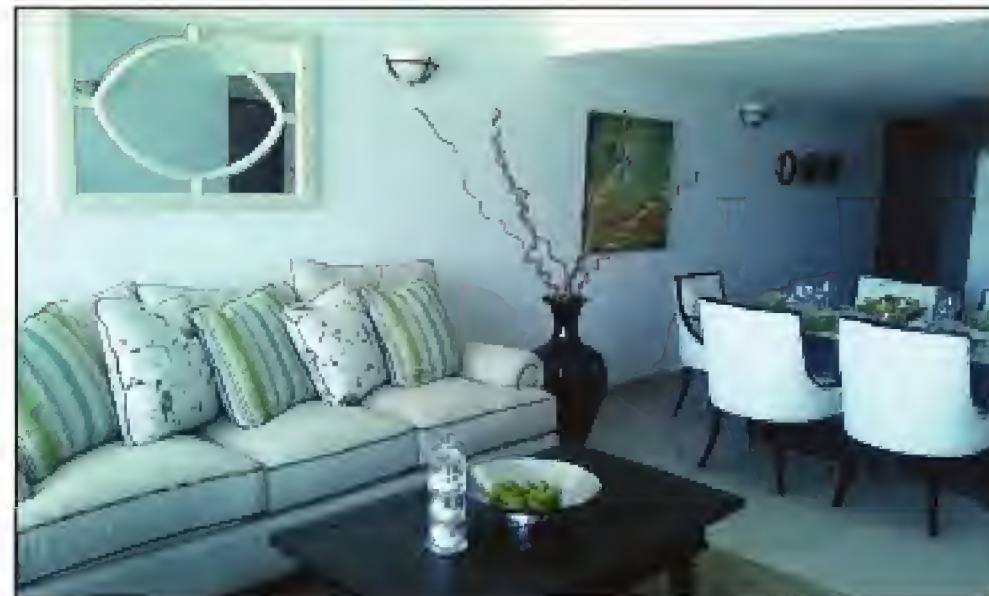
A spokesperson for Acqua Condo Aruba reports that the project is receiving tremendous attention, particularly for the winter months. Snow-birds longing to reside in a vacation home on Aruba are now able to visualize this dream coming true, in a manner that leaves them utterly care free when not in residence.

Making the decision to purchase and acting on it quickly, was recently made even more imperative. In November of 2010, the island government of Aruba reiterated its commitment to a building moratorium for the next 10 years, making Acqua Condominium a truly unique investment opportunity, as it is the one and only high-rise condo project, on property land, in the island's most-desired location.

In view of the moratorium news, and the project's lucrative position, developers were compelled to discontinue the pre-construction discounts. Nevertheless, other purchase incentives have introduced. Special discount offers in effect at present are:

Pay 30% down payment and get 10% discount, 50% down payment, get 15% discount, pay in full for a 25% discount. Prices start at \$ 296,800 for a 2-bedroom/2 bathroom apartment. Paying cash will allow the buyer to obtain this very same unit for only \$ 222,600 - remarkable savings!

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If the image of Aqua Condominium tugs at your heartstrings, you are invited to visit the sales gallery and the two elegant model-suites available for viewing, fully finished with luxurious touches and high-end amenities.

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stylish condo of your dreams, allowing you to return to Aruba as often as you wish.

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## Japan medics bring high-tech fix to Philippines typhoon

TACLOBAN (AFP) - Japanese medics working to help victims of the Philippines typhoon have deployed wireless mobile X-ray kits using tablet computers, a world first in a disaster zone, a team spokesman said.

The technology, which was developed after the huge tsunami that hit Japan in 2011, allows doctors to take a look inside patients instantly, and even lets them enlarge the image with familiar iPad gestures.

Joji Tomioka, coordinator of the Japan Medical Team for Disaster Relief, said the system had been created in response to what doctors needed in the aftermath of the Japanese disaster.

At the partly air-conditioned clinic in the ruined city of Tacloban, a radiologist placed a camera on the chest of 72-year-old Carlos Llosa as he sat in his wheelchair.

The X-ray image was instantaneously transmitted through a wireless router to an iPad and to a nearby laptop.

With a thumb and a finger, the doctor was able to zoom in for a more detailed view of the problem area.

Tomioka said Japanese medical experts are seeing about 200 patients a day as part of a large international aid effort to reach the estimated 13 million people affected by one of the most powerful storms ever recorded.

The United Nations says 4,460 people are now known to have died when the ferocious storm hit. It said Saturday that 2.5 million people still "urgently" need food.

"The Philippines helped us during our hour of need in the tsunami," Tomioka said, referring to the global outpouring of sympathy in the aftermath of a catastrophe that cost 18,000 lives.

## 3D printing 'will change the world'



A 3D Gun

PARIS (AFP) - From replacement kidneys to guns, cars, prosthetics and works of art, 3D printing is predicted to transform our lives in the coming decades as dramatically as the Internet did before it.

"I have no doubt it is going to change the world," researcher James Craddock told AFP at the two-day 3D Printshow in Paris which wraps up later on Saturday.

A member of the 3D Printing Research Group (3DPRG) at the UK's Nottingham University, Craddock nevertheless predicted that use of 3D printing would be limited.

"You wouldn't want to make a cup from a 3D printer because it would probably fall apart, leak or poison you, but you would use it for high-value, beautiful items or replacement parts," he said.

"The real revolutionary factor is industrial use," he added. Here is a selection of the potential future uses of 3D printing:

### - Arms

This is one of the more eye-catching prospects and has attracted a lot of publicity.

Californian engineering

company Solid Concepts said earlier this month it had produced a metal replica of a classic 1911 shotgun.

US entrepreneur and inventor Brook Drumm, however, warned that the process of printing a gun would be slow, expensive and potentially dangerous, requiring lasers at high temperatures, lots of power and hazardous materials.

Drumm set up his firm Printbot to produce printers costing from \$400 that print plastic items.

Metal printers can cost around \$250,000 (185,000 euros) and "the particulates are so fine that your skin could absorb them through the pores. The materials are not safe", he said.

The gun itself -- unless made out of metal -- would also be unreliable.

### - Art

Fancy a replica of a Viking helmet or one of the Louvre's most famous sculptures on the mantelpiece?

American Cosmo Wenman has used thousands of photographs taken in some of the world's biggest museums to produce exact plastic copies.

Works he has produced include the ancient Greek statue Venus de Milo which is in the Louvre.

### - Cars

Canadian Jim Kor's 3D Urbee car is made out of plastic and stainless steel.

The futuristic-looking three-wheeler is electric but uses petrol at higher speeds.

Production designer Kor says if a car company mass produced the vehicle it would be possible to keep the price down to around \$16,000 (12,000 euros).

"We want it to be the Volkswagen Beetle for the next century, low cost and long-lasting too," he said.

"It should last 30-plus years. Our goal is that it should be 100 percent recyclable."

### - Jewellery

Jewellery can be made to ensure that each piece is slightly different, known as "mass customisation".

3D printing can also make the production process far less expensive and time consuming.

Dutch jewellery designer Yvonne van Zummeren produces a range of jewellery made out of lightweight nylon polyamide.

### - Prosthetics

Prosthetics can be custom made to provide the perfect match.

Electronics could be built in allowing the recipient accurate control of the limb.

"It would all be printed out at the same time," said 3DPRG's Craddock.

### - Replacement parts

One-off parts are needed by everyone from NASA to the person who loses an unusual jacket button.



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- 3- Turn off lights when you leave the room.
- 4- Don't turn on lights at all for as long as you can.
- 5- Drive the speed limit, and combine all your errands for the week in one trip.
- 6 - Turn off your computer completely at night.
- 7- Fix leaky faucets.
- 8- Line dry your laundry.
- 9- Unplug unused chargers and appliances.
- 10- Collect rainwater, and use it to water your houseplants and garden.
- 11- Repurpose glass jars as leftover containers and bulk storage, especially in the kitchen.

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## Forbes Media exploring sale

NEW YORK -- Forbes Media, controlled by former Republican presidential candidate Steve Forbes, is up for sale.

In a memo sent to employees Friday, CEO Mike Perlis said Forbes has received indications of interest from investors for the company, which includes Forbes magazine and Forbes.com.

"The frequency and serious nature of these overtures have brought us to a decision point," he wrote. "We have hired Deutsche Bank to represent us, and we expect interest from numerous suitors."

The company is looking to sell for about \$400 million, according to a report by Bloomberg News. The Forbes family still controls the company after selling a 45% stake to investment firm Elevation Partners in 2006.

The magazine, founded in 1917 by business columnist B.C. Forbes, has been focusing heavily on the digital side

of its editorial operations to make up for the sluggishness in print ad sales, a widespread problem for print publications in the digital era.

"Digital revenues are expected to increase over 25% by the end of the year," Perlis wrote. "Our efforts have also focused on diversifying our revenue streams to complement our advertising-based businesses — and many of our initiatives have come to fruition this year."

Forbes Media includes Forbes magazine, which has covered wealth and finance since 1917. It's known for its annual lists of global billionaires and richest people in America.

Among potential buyers are billionaires who have been enamored of Forbes ever since it began ranking the world's rich, according to Stewart Pinkerton, who wrote about the family in his 2011 book "The Fall of the House of Forbes."

## Report: life in Germany's ex-communist east never better

BERLIN (AFP) - Falling unemployment, higher birthrates and heavy investment in education have created the best living standards in Germany's ex-communist east since the fall of the Berlin Wall, an upcoming government report said.

Excerpts from the official study published in Sunday's Bild am Sonntag newspaper said the sunnier outlook in a region long plagued by grim economic conditions had largely halted a brain drain of easterners to the west.

In the report, to be presented by Interior Minister Hans-Peter Friedrich on Wednesday, the authors said that the east was now catching up to the west by many measures of success.

"Nearly a generation after reunification (in 1990), eco-

nomics living standards in the eastern and western states, particularly in terms of material prosperity, have clearly improved," they wrote.

"In recent years, the erstwhile planned economy has turned into an industrial region with increasingly competitive companies."

The jobless rate has sunk to 10.7 percent from 18.7 percent in 2005 in the east, against 6.5 percent in Germany as a whole currently.

According to the findings, the number of easterners returning home from the west nearly matched the number of easterners moving west in 2012 for the first time since reunification.

Also helping to staunch the drop in population is a gradual rise in the birthrate in the east to a slightly higher level than

in the west. Bild did not provide figures ahead of the report's publication.

Manufacturing has begun to boom again in the eastern states, while generous support for education, research and development has also nurtured economic growth, the report found.

Unemployment soared and the birthrate plummeted in east Germany in the years after the fall of communism, leading to widespread disillusionment with the promises of reunification.

Between 1989 and 2010, some 4.1 million east Germans moved to the west, according to the federal statistics office, most seeking work. During the same period some 2.1 million westerners moved east.

## Is Puerto Rico the next Detroit?

**SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico** - *Antonia Arroyo sits on a bench on November 14, 2013 in San Juan, Puerto Rico. After working for the Municipality of San Juan for 35 years she lives of her 500 dollar a month government pension. The Government remains the largest employer in Puerto Rico and can only service about 11 percent of the pension costs out of its budget. This year the Government cut Christmas bonuses for pensioners from 600 dollars to 200. The island-territory of the United States is on the brink of a debt crisis as lending has skyrocketed in the last decade with the government issuing municipal bonds mostly to finance pensions. Market analysts have rated those bonds as junk and suspect it's 70 billion dollar debt might be unserviceable in the near future. (AFP)*



## Boeing, Airbus clinch mega orders at Dubai



**DUBAI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES** -- AFP photo shows Boeing CEO Jim McNerney (L) presenting ruler of Dubai Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid al-Maktoum (C), a model of the Emirates new 777X airliner, during the opening ceremony of the Dubai Airshow on November 17, 2013. Emirates Airline laced orders with both the rival US and European manufacturers, in twin deals valued at \$99 billion.

### SATURDAY'S Crossword Answer

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ERIN	EDGER
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AMILE	SCALD
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TAM	MATCHUP
ENACTS	AONE
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ELSE	DOT



**CARACAS** -- Two men carry goods purchased at a shop in Caracas on November 16, 2013. Venezuelan President Nicolas Maduro --who on November 8 ordered the "occupation" by the government of a chain of electrical appliances accused of illegally raising the prices of their items extremely-- announced that he will keep on with shop inspections and that more price reductions will be applied. (AFP PHOTO)



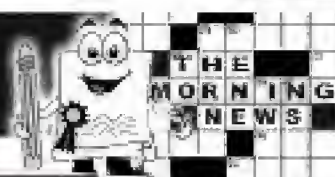
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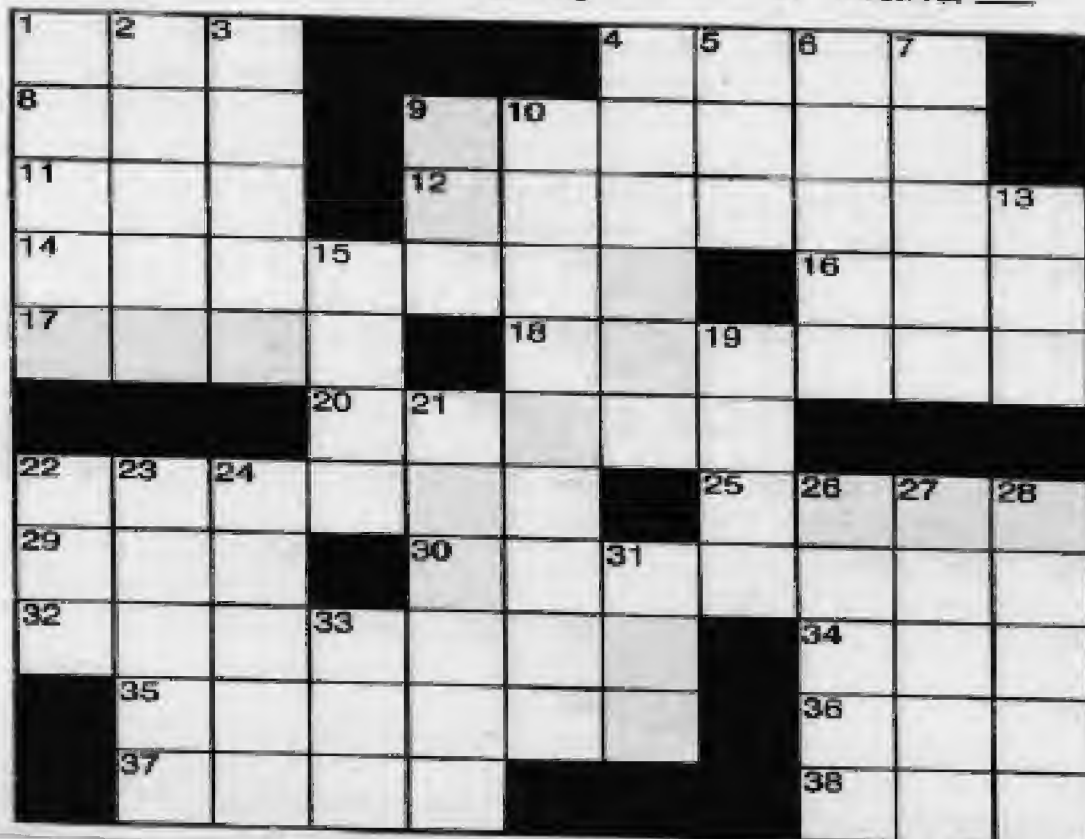
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38 Snug retreat

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Shaw  
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5	1	6	9	6	4	9	8	2
8	6	7	2	1	8	2	6	5
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Complete the grid so that every row and every column contains the numbers 1 through 9  
A number is Never repeated in a row or column.  
In addition every rectangle must contain the numbers 1 through 9



## Spend a fun evening with friends at Barney's

A few months ago, Palm Beach welcomed a cozy new place that offers good food, great prices and a uniquely warm, welcoming ambiance that makes patrons feel as if they are visiting with friends rather than just eating out. Even the name, "Barney's", which was inspired by Barney Rubble of the Flintstones, is an expression of the good humor of its owners and your hosts, Ron and Elina.

Ron and Elina have a very congenial division of labor; he enjoys being bartender and playing around with his "cocktail of the day" while she sees to it that everyone is well satisfied with their meal. Chef Jan is in the kitchen doing his magic; patrons praise their spicy Firecracker Shrimp appetizer and mushrooms stuffed with escargot, priced at \$9.50 and \$8.50, or the Smoked Trout Fillet for a real gourmet treat.

They are particularly popular for their "Build Your Own Barney Burger" using spe-



A place where you feel like you are with friends

cially imported organic beef from Holland, guaranteed to have been raised without steroids or antibiotics, only \$9.50 with fries and coleslaw. Patrons are handed a special hamburger checklist, which features a full menu of toppings, sauces and cheeses to customize your order to create the ideal burger. One can also

opt for a second or third hamburger patty for a very nominal cost.

High end items on the menu, such as the Seafood Pasta, are only \$20.50. They also have a kid's menu with favorites such as a Kid's Burger, chicken fingers and Mac & Cheese; most items are only \$4. One regular de-

scribed the place as particularly "kid-friendly," with Elina, a mother herself, having devised a number of methods to keep young ones entertained. The menu has a range to please patrons who are in the mood for something simple while other can be indulgent gourmands.

Tuesday through Saturday

evenings they have specialty nights at bargain rates. Tuesday is Schnitzel Night, with a choice five different kinds of schnitzel with sauces and toppings, only \$17.50. Wednesday is fresh grouper, prepared any of five ways, with veggies and side dish, \$19.50. Thursday enjoy unlimited ribs done three ways honey, smoked or BBQ, for \$17.50 with salad, slaw and fries. Saturday means endless rib eye steak with coleslaw and fries for \$19.50. Friday evening ends the work week with Karaoke Night, a convivial and fun evening when islanders kick back and let loose their inner rock star.

Barney's is located just next to the huge supermarket on the Palm Beach/Noord road, not far from the gas station. They are open from 5:00 to 11:00 PM and closed on Mondays. Check out their full menu at <http://www.barneysaruba.com> or call 586-5420 for reservations and directions.

## Gold Coast Aruba: This is the time to invest

--Management of Gold Coast Aruba, the island's newest and most innovative gated community, reports that sales have been very good and encouraging as the global economy recovers and people looking to purchase vacation homes have found that Gold Coast is an outstanding investment value. Director of Sales, Fito Croes has noticed a surprising percentage of owners in reality do not spend a great amount of time personally to use the villas or town homes they purchase, but are taking advantage of Gold Coast's rental services to turn their investment into ready income.

"The greater portion of home owners are using their 'home away from home' in Aruba to escape the winter months, or spend holidays with the family on the island," he remarked, "but I am gratified by how many are buying because they felt secure with real estate investment on Aruba. They really study the history and economy of the island and are impressed with the political stability and continually increasing value of prime locations. Gold Coast is in the heart of Malmok, considered Aruba's most exclusive community where the value of properties has only increased over time. It is only minutes to the best beaches and all the action, and yet offers a quiet and secluded getaway; we are very pleased by the response to our



concept."

Fito, with his sister Mayrin and brother Rudy operate Cas Bon, which has been constructing homes and building developments for all budgets for nearly twenty years. "Gold Coast Aruba is the jewel in our crown," observes Fito. "We were very excited about this project and the scope of actual and planned facilities and amenities. We have spoken to countless island visitors to find out what they would really want in a permanent residence on Aruba, and took from there."

Input from frequent vacationers who have dreamed of their own home in Aruba contributed to the realization of Gold Coast Aruba which when

complete will be a community of 260 town homes, villas and condominiums with a stunning clubhouse complemented by two additional community pool areas. The Clubhouse is about to start construction and will offer to the community homeowners and visitors 2 tennis courts, full service spa and fitness center as well as a stunning pool area and is expected to be complete by early 2013. It will also house a restaurant and mini-market.

Owners who purchased upon the groundbreaking only a few short years ago, are already enjoying a nearly 50% appreciation on their investment, particularly those taking advantage of the on site management's rental services pro-

gram. There is always a great demand for Aruba and facilities such as those at Gold Coast, make it easy for some owners to see a valuable return on their investment.

The design of the residences and public areas is open, airy and spacious, taking full advantage of the island environment, with quality construction and finishing available. Partnering with two of Aruba's top providers of kitchens and bathrooms enables developers to offer custom options allowing buyers to individualize their homes. An elegant and chic furniture package is available or island designers will assist owners in finishing the décor to their specific tastes.

There are many aspects to purchasing property, not the least is the future value of the investment. To further enhance this, Gold Coast management have inaugurated a number of in-house services and have recently become affiliated Interval International, the world's largest network of vacation ownership properties which provides an unlimited international pool of investors to tap for ownership and rental prospects. Property exchange for a vacation in another destination is also available through the Interval International affiliation. Gold Coast's own rental services have also proven highly successful in assisting owners in renting their villas; 24-hour security and maintenance services also tip the scales when it is time to make a decision. Aside from all this, housekeeping, child care, catering services, car rental through its partnership with AVIS car rental are also available as well as pre-shopping services so cupboards and refrigerators are stocked upon arrival, which can also be arranged through their property management department. Personnel are also available to assist in arranging restaurant reservations and island activities.

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## UFC 167: Georges St-Pierre survives Johnny Hendricks onslaught to retain Welterweight title

LAS VEGAS - The Ultimate Fighting Championship's welterweight division was thrown into a state of utter upheaval at UFC 167 on Saturday, as long-time champion Canadian Georges St. Pierre retained his title with a contentious split decision over Johnny Hendricks at the MGM Grand Garden Arena in Las Vegas.

The widespread outrage surrounding the verdict -- all three judges scored it 48-47, with Sal D'Amato and Tony Weeks siding with the champion -- was only enhanced by St. Pierre's convoluted announcement of a possible retirement in the immediate aftermath.

"I need to hang up my gloves for a little bit ... I have to go away for a little bit, at least," said St-Pierre (25-2), adding that he had "a bunch of stuff" he needs to take care of away from the spotlight.

"I want to say thank you from the bottom of my heart to the UFC."

If this was the end for the Tristar Gym export, he exits the stage with more UFC wins (19) than any other fighter in history.

Controversy aside, Hendricks proved himself more than worthy of the No. 1 contender mantle he had shouldered since toppling Carlos Condit at UFC 158 in March. The rugged Oklahoman had St. Pierre reeling with a left uppercut in the second round and provided the sternest challenge yet to the Canadian's 2,000-day reign over the 170-pound weight class.

The debate over the decision seems to center on the first round, a round both D'Amato and Weeks awarded to St. Pierre. The champion struck for a takedown inside the first

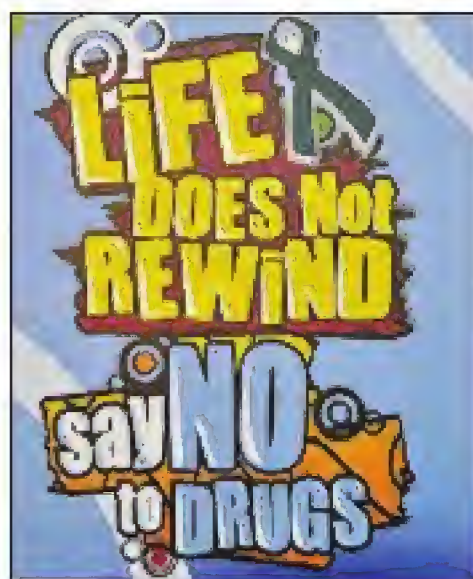


Georges St. Pierre appeared to have dropped three rounds to Johnny Hendricks

30 seconds, moved on a guillotine choke and appeared to have Hendricks considering a tapout. However, "Bigg Rigg" freed himself from danger and began his assault on St. Pierre in the clinch, first with jarring knees to the thighs and later with a string of savage elbows to the head. The two-time NCAA wrestling champion also secured a takedown of his own in round one.

Hendricks' power punches exacted a visible toll on St. Pierre as the bout advanced, leaving him battered, bloodied and bruised. With that said, the 30-year-old Team Takedown standout seemed to let down his guard in the fifth round, where he could have sewn up the decision. Instead, he let St. Pierre dictate the action. The

champion drove him to the canvas behind a multi-punch combination and was the clear aggressor over the final five minutes. According to preliminary FightMetric figures, Hendricks landed only four significant strikes in round five and did not attempt a takedown.



## Briefs:



LOS ANGELES (AFP) - World champion Andre Ward made a triumphant return after a 14-month lay off, downing Dominican challenger Edwin Rodriguez by unanimous decision in a Saturday showdown of unbeaten super middleweight boxers. Judges awarded Ward the victory by scores of 118-106, 117-107, 116-108, boosting the US fighter's record to 27-0 while Rodriguez fell to 24-1. The fight was the first for Ward in 14 months, the longest break of his career after right shoulder surgery in January.



SALT LAKE CITY (AFP) - South Korea's Lee Sang-Hwa broke the women's world 500-meter record Saturday for the third time in eight days to win an ISU World Cup Speed Skating race. The Dutch men's team pursuit squad also broke their own world record on the second day of the three-day competition at the 2002 Salt Lake City Winter Olympic Oval. Reigning Olympic and world champion Lee, racing in the last heat, crossed the finish line in 36.36 seconds, breaking the mark of 36.57 she set Friday in winning a 500m World Cup race on the same ice. Lee also set a world record last Saturday at Calgary, Canada, with a win at the opening World Cup stop in 36.74, lowering the global mark of 36.85 she had established last January at Calgary. The Dutch men's team pursuit squad won in 3:35.60, breaking the world record of 3:37.17 it set last week with a season-opening triumph at Calgary. The Americans were second in 3:37.22 with South Korea third in 3:37.51. Dutch star Ireen Wust won the women's 1,500 in 1:52.08 to seize the World Cup points lead after two races with American Brittany Bowe second in 1:52.45 and Richardson third, another .10 adrift.



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## Formula One: Vettel wins US Grand Prix for record 8th successive victory

AUSTIN (AFP) - World champion Sebastian Vettel won a record eighth successive race when he triumphed in Sunday's United States Grand Prix.

The German Red Bull driver beat Michael Schumacher's previous record of seven wins in a row in the same season set in 2004.

France's Romain Grosjean, in a Lotus, was second with Red Bull's Mark Webber taking third.

Vettel's win was not only his eighth in a row, but also his 12th of the season and the 38th in his short, but brilliant career of just 119 races.

It was also his first in America leaving only the Hungarian



Grand Prix as a venue where he has yet to triumph.

Starting from pole, the 26-year-old German controlled the race from lights to flag with a consummate demonstration of skill and speed at the wheel of his equally dominant Red Bull.

If he wins the year-end in Brazil next Sunday, he will equal Schumacher's 2004 record of 13 in a season with Ferrari.

It was in that series that Schumacher reeled off his now-beaten record of seven straight wins as he delivered his seventh and final drivers' title success.

That remains another statistical landmark for Vettel to pass.

Grosjean followed him home, 6.284 seconds adrift, for Lotus, equalling his best result, with Vettel's team-mate, retirement-bound Australian Mark Webber, third, claiming his 40th career podium.

Briton Lewis Hamilton finished fourth for Mercedes ahead of Spaniard Fernando Alonso of Ferrari, German Nico Hulkenberg of Sauber and Mexican Sergio Perez of McLaren.

On a hot afternoon, with the air temperature touching 30 degrees Celsius and the track

around 40, Vettel made a textbook start from his 44th pole position while Webber struggled to keep pace.

The Australian slipped back to fourth as Grosjean and Hamilton passed him for second and third respectively before he mounted his fightback.

A collision involving the unhappy Venezuelan Pastor Maldonado, in a Williams, and luckless German Adrian Sutil of Force India on lap one brought out the Safety Car. Both were unhurt but Sutil's car was wrecked after hitting the barriers.

## NBA News:



In Charlotte, LeBron James scored 30 points while reserve Michael Beasley added 15 to spark the reigning NBA champion Miami Heat over host Charlotte 97-81 on Saturday.

James, who played 32 minutes, went 13-of-18 from the field and added seven assists to help lead Miami to a third triumph in a row and sixth victory in seven games.

The Heat, who lost two of three to open the season, defeated the Bobcats for a 13th consecutive time despite 22 points from Kemba Walker. Miami has not lost to Charlotte since James joined the Heat.

### Other Results (Saturday):

Golden State 102, Utah 88  
LA Clippers 110,  
Brooklyn Nets 103  
Milwaukee 79,  
Oklahoma 92  
New York Knicks 90,  
Atlanta 110  
Chicago 110, Indiana 94  
Houston 122, Denver 111  
Minnesota 106, Boston 88  
New Orleans 135,  
Philadelphia 98  
Charlotte 81, Miami 97  
Orlando 100, Dallas 108  
Washington 96, Cleveland 103 (OT)

CHICAGO (AFP) - Britain's Luol Deng scored 23 points and Derrick Rose added 20 in his return from injury Saturday to power the Chicago Bulls over previously unbeaten Indiana 110-94.

The Pacers, who fell to 9-1, had been the NBA's last undefeated team and the first club to win so many games to start a season since the Dallas Mavericks in 2002.

But a night after the Pacers ripped Milwaukee, the host Bulls outplayed Indiana from the start, seizing a 31-20 lead after the first quarter and a 60-35 half-time advantage.

## Motorcycling: US rider Caselli dies in Mexico crash

LA PAZ (AFP) - American motorcyclist Kurt Caselli was killed on Saturday during a desert raid race on the Baja California peninsula after suffering serious head injuries in a fall, organisers said. The 30-year-old Californian had been favourite to win the the SCORE Baja 1000 race which was due to finish in La Paz, Bolivia. He suffered fatal injuries when he fell off his KTM machine as he chased down race leader Colton Udall. The SCORE Baja 1000 is celebrating its 40th anniversary.



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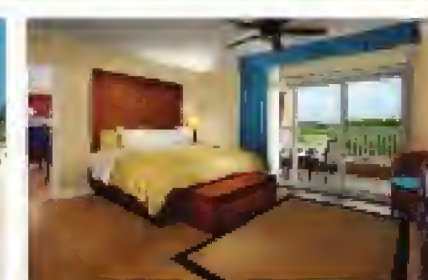
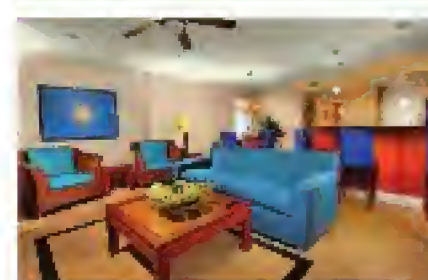
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## Italy wins the Nations Cup of the Divi Aruba Beach Tennis tournament



**Sports Minister Dr. Schwengle (in the middle) posing with the Champions**

**EAGLE BEACH** - A wild crowd, that was doing the wave, jumping, cheering and shouting, oohing and aahing, saw Italy win the coveted Nations Cup last Friday evening. Three decisive smashes made the difference in the final tie-break, which

was held after Brazil and Italy had each won a doubles set.

Always one of the absolute highlights of the Divi Aruba Beach Tennis tournament, held this past week at Eagle Beach, this year's Nations Cup was better than ever, with incredible athleticism of the players

wowing the crazy crowd. Especially the women impressed with their terrific windmill smashes and subtle lobs.

The third set tie-break came after the Italians had won the first set and the Brazilians took the second. A fun format, made up of two sets of 4 won



**Sports Minister Dr. Schwengle (4th left) posing with the Champions Italy and Sub Champions Brazil**

games and a super tie-break until 10, a DJ who played his audience and raised the temperature by several degrees, made for a fantastic, unforgettable final. Until 5-5 the score was even, but then Italy's Giulia Curzi took matters in her own hand and she smashed her way to victory. Italy won 10-7. Minister of Sports Alex

Schwengle was present for the award giving ceremony: one could see clearly how much he had enjoyed this wild, super fun evening of Beach Tennis.

*Pabien to the winners and Also to the organizer Divi Aruba Beach for a successful event!*